



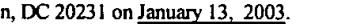
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In Re U.S. Patent Application of:

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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

The present Amendment is submitted in response to the office action dated September 24, 2002. Reconsideration of the present application is respectfully requested.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 4, 20, 36, 52, 68, and 85 without prejudice.

Please amend the claims as follows:

1. (Amended) A stretch blow molded multilayer container comprising:

a first layer defining an outermost layer of the container and comprising polypropylene; and

a second layer comprising an oxygen barrier material, directly adjacent to said first layer;

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